Gentlem.

I wrote you the 25th past wherein I mention'd to you that the Hon.ble Ralph Izard Esq. a native of So. Carolina intended Visiting our Country, he has promis'd to deliver this to you. It is needless to repeat to you that you will add to the many Obligations confer'd on me if you will receive him as a friend & merit Esteem; he has some Idea of going to the Continent; if so, you will please to procure him a Passage in one of the best Ships & procure the Stores & Conveniencies necessary for him. I think if one of your Men of War was going, it would be best for him to go in her; Should he require five, or Ten Thousand Guilders from you to leave in your Hands at the disposal of his Lady during her Residence in Europe I do hereby become Responsible with him to you for that Sum, if you deem such

Security necessary; he can easily repay you in
Remittances in twelve or eighteen Months
& I presume he will pay you ye usual Commissions &
Interest as if it was Invested in Goods, on ye same
terms you mean to charge ye State of So Carolina
for ye proposed Credit you was pleased to offer me in
their behalf — I have requested him to accept
of the Letter to our friend Mr Bicker to whom
you will please to introduce him, as well as to
your other friends. I am with truth

Sir Your most Obedt Servt

A. Gillon

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